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**RESPONSE TO STATUS INQUIRY**  
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In response to your communication filed on 05-23-08.

The most recent status/action on the above identified application is:

- ☐ 1. The above identified application has been assigned a patent number with an issue date of \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ 2. Your application is currently being processed in:
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Comments: Application has been exported to final data capture on 3/21/08 and will be put on special handling for monitoring until issuance.

If you have any questions, you may contact the Office of Data Management's Application Assistance Unit on 571-272-4200 or by facsimile on 703-308-5065.

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In re the Application of:

Sung-hee HWANG, et al.

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**LETTER TO THE EXAMINER REQUESTING STATUS OF ISSUANCE**

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Sir:

Further to the payment of the issue fee on February 19, 2008, applicants have not received notification of issuance or other indication as to the status of the instant application. It is respectfully requested that the instant application be allowed to issue, or an explanation for the non-issuance be provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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